

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Gordon Vance, on January 31, 2017 at 3:00 PM, in Room 405 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Gordon Vance, Chair (R)
Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Dee Brown (R)
Sen. Edward Buttrey (R)
Sen. Terry Gauthier (R)
Sen. Jen Gross (D)
Sen. JP Pomnichowski (D)
Sen. Roger Webb (R)
Sen. Lea Whitford (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Branch
Tia Stockton, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Executive Action on: HB 41; HB 55; HB 146; SB 106; SB 134

00:00:04 Chair Vance
 00:00:46 Recess
 00:14:32 Reconvene
 00:14:32 Sen. Whitford entered the meeting.
 00:14:42 Sen. Gauthier entered the meeting.
 00:14:44 Sen. Pomnichowski entered the meeting.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 41

00:14:45 **Motion:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 41 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:14:58 Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
[EXHIBIT\(his22a01\)](#)

00:15:17 Sen. Brown

00:15:26 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **HB 41 BE AMENDED.**

Discussion:

00:16:02 Sen. Buttrey
 00:16:37 Sen. Pomnichowski

00:17:18 **Vote:** Motion carried 5-4 by roll call vote with Sen. Buttrey, Sen. Fitzpatrick, Sen. Vance and Sen. R. Webb voting no.

00:17:52 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 41 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 8-1 by roll call vote with Sen. Vance voting no. Sen. Buttrey will carry the bill.

****Note:** Bill was not reported out of committee at the request of the chair.

Discussion:

00:18:42 Sen. Brown
 00:19:11 Sen. Gross
 00:19:15 Sen. Brown
 00:19:44 Sen. Buttrey
 00:19:58 Sen. Brown

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 55

00:20:14 **Motion:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 55 BE CONCURRED IN.**

00:20:20 Ms. Keip, LSD

[EXHIBIT\(his22a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(his22a03\)](#)

00:21:16 Without objection, Sen. Fitzpatrick withdrew the BE CONCURRED IN motion.

00:21:18 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 55 BE TABLED**. Motion carried 8-1 by roll call vote with Sen. Pomnichowski voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 146

00:22:14 **Motion:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 146 BE CONCURRED IN**.

00:22:14 Ms. Keip

[EXHIBIT\(his22a04\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(his22a05\)](#)

00:22:43 **Motion:** Sen. Buttrey moved that **HB 146 BE AMENDED**.

Discussion:

00:22:50 Sen. Buttrey

00:23:30 Sen. Pomnichowski

00:23:57 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:24:08 **Motion:** Sen. Gross moved that **HB 146 BE AMENDED**.

Discussion:

00:24:49 Ms. Keip

00:25:11 Chair Vance

00:25:18 Sen. Gross

00:25:23 Sen. Pomnichowski

00:26:45 Sen. Brown

00:27:20 Sen. Buttrey

00:28:05 Sen. Brown

00:28:09 Sen. Gross

00:28:23 Without objection, Sen. Gross withdrew the BE AMENDED motion.

00:28:38 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 146 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED**. Motion carried 9-0 by voice vote. Sen. Buttrey will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 106

00:29:07 **Motion:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **SB 106 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

00:29:12 Sen. Brown

00:29:51 Sen. Gross
00:31:21 Sen. Brown
00:32:33 Sen. Buttrey
00:32:51 Sen. Brown
00:33:26 Sen. Whitford

00:33:41 **Vote:** Motion carried 6-3 by roll call vote with Sen. Gross, Sen. Pomnichowski and Sen. Whitford voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 134

00:34:18 **Motion:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **SB 134 DO PASS.**

00:34:23 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Sen. Pomnichowski made a substitute motion that **SB 134 BE TABLED.** Motion carried 8-1 by roll call vote with Sen. Gauthier voting no.

Discussion:

00:35:18 Chair Vance
00:35:30 Sen. Buttrey
00:35:36 Chair Vance

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:36 PM

Tia Stockton, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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